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\mathfrak{K} -families and CPD-H-extendable families

Abstract

We introduce, for any set S , the concept of \mathfrak{K} -family between two Hilbert C^* -modules over two C^* -algebras, for a given completely positive definite (CPD-) kernel \mathfrak{K} over S between those C^* -algebras and obtain a factorization theorem for such \mathfrak{K} -families. If \mathfrak{K} is a CPD-kernel and E is a full Hilbert C^* -module, then any \mathfrak{K} -family which is covariant with respect to a dynamical system (G, η, E) on E , extends to a \mathfrak{K} -family on the crossed product $E \times_{\eta} G$, where $\tilde{\mathfrak{K}}$ is a CPD-kernel. Several characterisations of \mathfrak{K} -families, under the assumption that E is full, are obtained and covariant versions of these results are also given. One of these characterizations says that such \mathfrak{K} -families extend as CPD-kernels, between associated (extended) linking algebras, whose $(2, 2)$ -corner is a homomorphism and vice versa. We discuss a dilation theory of CPD-kernels in relation to \mathfrak{K} -families.

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